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MISSOULA---

Diminutive Jeff Nord, whose floor play and hot hand established him as one of the top 10 scorers in Missoula Sentinel High School history, will attend the University of Montana this fall on a basketball scholarship.

The 5-8 guard has been a starter and floor general for the Spartans for three seasons. During that time, he was named to the All-Division Tournament Team twice, the All-State Tournament Team once, and the All-State first team twice. The Spartans did not qualify for the state tourney last season.

He led Sentinel in scoring during his junior and senior years, averaging close to 20 points per game in his final season.

In addition to his prowess on the basketball court, Nord is a scratch golfer.

"I'd like to play college golf if I can make the team," Nord said.

The son of UM assistant football coach Ron Nord plans to study business administration during his college career, and eventually hopes to go on to law school.

When asked why he chose Montana, he said, "I like Missoula, and I like the whole state. I've lived in the Midwest (Wisconsin) for many years, and as far as I'm concerned, there's no comparison."

UM assistant cage mentor Lou Rocheleau, who coached young Nord for two years before joining head coach Bob Cope at the University, expressed great pleasure with the announcement.

"I think Jeff will be a Grizzly because of his spirit and leadership," Rocheleau said. "He's got a tremendous head on his shoulders, and he uses it equally well on or off the court."